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**Our mission :** We joyfully welcome you to our parish family of faith. May our parish be a sanctuary of peace for you as we journey together to the Father's house.

### Parish Hours

#### DAILY MASS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 am  
FRIDAY 7:00 pm  
SATURDAY 9:00 am

#### SUNDAY MASS

SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
SUNDAY 8:30 am | 10:15 am | 12:00 pm | 7:00 pm

#### HOLY HOUR

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 7:00pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm  
SATURDAY 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm  
or by appointment

#### OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:30 am - 3:30 pm  
SATURDAY 9:30 am - 12:30 pm | 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
SUNDAY 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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# ASH WEDNESDAY

Through Prayer Fasting & Alms Giving we imitate Christ & empty ourselves to be filled with HIS Perfect Love

Marriage is a sacrament in which spouses help each other seek Heaven  
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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, 12 FEBRUARY**

9:00 AM S.I. IN THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED FOR THE GALAPIN FAMILY  
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+ CARMEN INAY

**TUESDAY, 13 FEBRUARY**

9:00 AM S.I. WILFRED JAIME LOUIS  
+ JUAN ORMAECHEA  
+ JUANITA LEOPANDO

**WEDNESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY** *Ash Wednesday*

9:00 AM + RITA JANSZ  
+ PEDRO TAGUILASO

7:00 PM AVAILABLE

**THURSDAY, 15 FEBRUARY**

9:00 AM + EDUARDA AMARAL  
+ MARIMMA & ARASARATNAM

**FRIDAY, 16 FEBRUARY**

6:30 PM + DAPHNE IRANI

**SATURDAY, 17 FEBRUARY**

9:00 AM + BENJAMIN LAKRA

5:00 PM FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

**SUNDAY, 18 FEBRUARY**

8:30 AM S.I. KAREN BOOTH  
+ WILLIE BETHEA  
+ GENOVEVA DULAY  
10:15 AM + SUWRNA PERERA  
+ ALLEN ESPIRITU  
+ RONALD PERERA

12:00 PM **(MASS WITH INCENCE)**  
S.I. SHEMAR ALEXANDER  
+ MARCIANO QUIZEO  
+ MICHAEL STONE

7:00 PM **NO EVENING MASS**



There will be no 7pm Mass on Sunday 18 February due to the family day weekend. The parish office will also be closed on Monday February 19<sup>th</sup> and will reopen on Tuesday February 20<sup>th</sup>.



**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

Fridays during Lent: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adoration  
6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mass  
7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR JANUARY 2023**

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$60,000	\$50,765
MORTGAGE FUND	\$10,000	\$4,998
BUILDING FUND	\$5,000	\$4,357
DEBT OUTSTANDING		\$1,812,424

**ASH WEDNESDAY**



*Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of the year.*

Fasting means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening—depending on when a person chooses to eat the full meal. Abstinence forbids the consumption of meat, but not of eggs or milk products. **Ash Wednesday is not a day of Mass obligation.**

**40 CANS FOR LENT**



During Lent, Catholics are asked to alleviate another's misfortune and through the 40 Cans for Lent Program, your council can bring the joy of the Resurrection to those in need.

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

Collect one can of food per day during the 40 days of Lent, which begins on **Ash Wednesday, Feb 14<sup>th</sup>** and then one extra can per person on Easter Sunday. Drop off your cans any time throughout the Lenten season in the designated boxes in the church foyer and they will be distributed to those in need.



Our Senior's Mass and Lunch will be held on Wednesday February 21<sup>st</sup>. We will begin with Mass at 11:30 a.m. followed by the luncheon. This event is open to all seniors of the parish, please join us for some faith and fellowship. **With the Lenten season soon upon us, this will be our last luncheon until May 15th.** If you are planning to attend, please contact Rosemary Plantinga at 1-416-894-7138 or [rosemaryplantinga@yahoo.ca](mailto:rosemaryplantinga@yahoo.ca)

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On Thursday, February 15th, the CWL Craft Group will meet at the Makerspace, Ajax Library in the McLean Community Centre. We will meet at 1pm to use their sewing machine and learn to use the serger and embroidery machines for CWL projects. Parishioners interested in joining the CWL Craft group, please contact Janet Gazarek at [janetfgazarek@hotmail.com](mailto:janetfgazarek@hotmail.com)

There will be no Life Teen on Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> due to the Family Day long weekend. The next Life Teen night scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> is an all-day retreat at the Lift Jesus Higher Rally and there will be no meeting at the parish that evening. Tickets are \$30 and if you're available please contact Noah Aquino at [youth.sfds@gmail.com](mailto:youth.sfds@gmail.com) to reserve your ticket. Registration for Edge Camp open to students in grades 5 to 8 will open on February 15<sup>th</sup>, please email Noah for more information.



Please be sure to pick up your 2024 Sunday Offertory envelopes. If you do not see your name on a box of envelopes, please contact the parish office. **Boxes that are not picked up will be redistributed in March.**

**2023 TAX RECIEPTS**

Thank you to everyone who makes an offertory donation to our parish. Your generosity is truly appreciated. **Please note that your 2023 parish tax receipts are being processed and you will receive them in the mail on or before Friday, February 23.**

*Let us pray! For the sick members of our parish and for those who love and minister to them.*



**CONFIRMATION**

There will be **NO CLASS** next week due to the Family Day Weekend. Students should have already received their books. These books are yours to keep. Remember to bring your own pencil or pen as we unfortunately don't have a sufficient supply to provide our confirmandi. Even though you may be picking up your child "quickly" and leaving right away, **please DO NOT use the accessible parking** unless you are parking for Mass or going to the parish office. We thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to learning and growing in our faith together as we journey to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in April.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

We're continuing to prepare the children in class for their First Reconciliation on Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>. Please see below for the First Reconciliation times for each school group. **Please remember, do not line up to get your passport stamped until Father has processed out of the church.**

School	First Reconciliation & Passport Review #2
St. Andre Bessette	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.
Public/Private/Other Catholic Schools	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm
St. Francis de Sales	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00am
St. Josephine Bakhita	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm
St. Jude	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00am
St. Catherine of Siena	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm
St. Patrick	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00am
Virtual Schools	Saturday February 24 <sup>th</sup> at 10:00am



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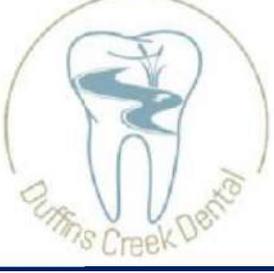
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